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TAGS: PFOR, OAS, DR
SUBJECT: FONSEC GOMEZ BERGES CANDIDACY FOR OAS SECGEN

DEPT PLEASE PASS ALL ARA DIPLOMATIC POSTS.

1. DURING CONVERSATION TODAY ON MATTER REPORTED SEPTEL, FONSEC GOMEZ BERGES INFORMED AMBASSADOR THAT PRESIDENT BALAGUER HAD HEARTILY APPROVED HIS SEEKING THE OAS SECGEN POSITION SHOULD SEVERAL COUNTRIES PROPOSE HIS CANDIDACY. UPON THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY COSTA RICAN FONSEC FACIO THAT, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MEXICO AND PANAMA, GOMEZ BERGES WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT CANDIDATE, GOMEZ SAID THAT HE SENT INSTRUCTIONS TO DOMINICAN EMBASSIES AT LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES WHICH HE BELIEVED WERE AS YET UNCOMMITTED TO SAPENA PASTOR IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THEIR SUPPORT.

2. FONSEC GOMEZ CONTINUED THAT DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS THE AMBASSADORS FROM PERU AND HAITI HAD INQUIRED SEPARATELY WHETHER HE WAS INDEED NOW A CANDIDATE FOR THE SECGEN POSITION. WHEN HE REPLIED AFFIRMATIVELY, THEY IN TURN INFORMED HIM THAT UPON INSTRUCTIONS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS HE COULD COUNT UPON THEIR VOTES, GOMEZ RECOUNTED. GOMEZ ADDED THAT COSTA RICAN FONSEC FACIO HAD TELEPHONED HIM THAT HE WOULD VISIT BOGOTA AND CARACAS NEXT WEEK ON HIS WAY TO THE AUGUST 16 INAUGURATION HERE, EXPRESSING CONFIDENCE THAT HE COULD OBTAIN COLOMBIAN AND VENEZUELAN SUPPORT FOR HIS CANDIDACY. ACCORDINGLY, GOMEZ WAS COUNTING SIX CERTAIN VOTES (DOMREP, COSTA CONFIDENTIAL

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RICA, PANAMA, MEXICO, PERU, HAITI) AND TWO PROBABLES (COLOMBIA

AND VENEZUELA).

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